

**BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2018
MINUTES**

MEETING OPENED AT 7:30 PM BY MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS.

ALL STOOD FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE.

PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT READ INTO RECORD BY DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK CAPASSO:

“IN COMPLIANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 10:4, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NOTICE WAS GIVEN TO TWO NEWSPAPERS, AND POSTED, THAT A WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL IS SCHEDULED FOR THE TWENTIETH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018, WITH THE WORK SESSION TO BEGIN AT THE HOUR OF 7:30 P.M. AND THE REGULAR MEETING TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AT THE LAKEHURST COMMUNITY CENTER, 207 CENTER STREET, LAKEHURST, NEW JERSEY, AT WHICH TIME, THE BUSINESS OF THE BOROUGH WILL BE CONDUCTED.”

ROLL CALL:

ROBIN BUSCH: PRESENT

JAMES DAVIS: PRESENT

PATRICIA HODGES: PRESENT

MAYOR HARRY ROBBINS: PRESENT

GARY LOWE: PRESENT

ROBERT McCARTHY: PRESENT

STEVEN OGLESBY: PRESENT

WORK SESSION:

REVIEW OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA:

Deputy Municipal Clerk Capasso reviewed the regular meeting agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Time opened: 7:32 pm

Dona Sinton, 501 Rose Street, asked why the executive sessions minutes are approved at the end of the year and not at the end of each month.

Borough Attorney Sean Gertner responded that if the minutes were approved at the end of each month, they would have to be redacted because most times the matter at hand is not completed be it contract negotiations, personnel matters, or litigation. Mr. Gertner stated there is a better chance at the end of the year that these matters are settled.

Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. #18-197: Resolution re: Payment of Bills
2. #18-198: Resolution re: 2019 Municipal Service Fee for Balfour Beatty Communities, LLC for Pinehurst Estates.
3. #18-199: Resolution re: Raffle License for Ocean County Retired Educator's Association Philanthropic Fund, Inc.

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Robin Busch
To approve consent agenda. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

ORDINANCES NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by: Steven Oglesby Seconded by: Gary Lowe
To approve on second reading and open the public hearing of Ordinance #2018-16 entitled: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER V OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF LAKEHURST, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ANIMAL CONTROL." Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

Time opened: 7:41 pm

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Time closed: 7:41 pm

Motion by: James Davis Seconded by: Patricia Hodges
To adopt Ordinance #18-16. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilwoman Hodges reported the Youth and Recreation Committee had their last event this past Friday adding it was well attended. Mrs. Hodges also stated everyone had a great time, the children decorated the Christmas tree with ornaments they created with the help of NovaCare.

Councilman Lowe reported the impound lot has brought back to the Borough \$6000 adding that amount has offset the cost of the impound lot and is now bringing in revenue.

Councilman McCarthy reported he attended the Board of Education meeting this past Tuesday and it was announced that the school will be opening on January 2, 2019 for the

staff only to get their classrooms ready for the students return on January 7, 2019. Mr. McCarthy stated the school calendar has been revised, adding the students will not be off for Martin Luther King Day or President's Day to make up for the late opening and if there are snow days, those days will be made up during Spring Break. Mr. McCarthy also stated the abatements, inspections on the Pre-School trailers and all site work will be completed by the end of the week.

Mr. McCarthy also reported their bills for the month totaled \$508,764 and a cash balance of \$644, 673.

Mayor Robbins questioned if the bills include the clean-up.

Mr. McCarthy responded it is not broken down, it is just a bulk number adding the cash balance is pre-dated based upon accountant's review; therefore, it is two or three weeks old.

Municipal Clerk Dugan asked does the Board of Education supply a bill's list.

Mr. McCarthy responded they do not, but it could be OPRA.

Mr. Lowe questioned the Fuccille Ball Park project.

Mayor Robbins responded now that the remediation is complete at the school, he will reach out to the Board of Education President James Malden to meet and discuss.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Time opened: 7:48 pm

NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

Time closed: 7:48 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by: James Davis

Seconded by: Robin Busch

To adjourn meeting. Roll call vote held. All votes affirmative. Time: 7:48 pm

Maryanne Capasso
Deputy Municipal Clerk